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**AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of 03/11/2004 in the above-identified application, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendment:

**In the Abstract:**

Please replace the entire abstract with the following text:

1 APPLICATION SYSTEM CERTIFICATION PROCESS  
2 ABSTRACT  
3 A software application is certified prior to deployment. A  
4 reviewer is assigned and a review time scheduled. A readiness  
5 assessment is performed prior to the review time. The reviewer  
6 then conducts a review including an overview, process flows

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